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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ESCS TDY ASSIGNMENT

1. IN 1976 AND 1977, USDA CROP EXPERTISE HAS BEEN
SUPPLEMENTED AT POST BY ASSIGNMENT OF ONE PERSON ON A
TDY BASIS TO ASSIST WITH THE MID-SUMMER WINTER GRAIN
ITINERARY. AS YOU ARE DOUBTLESS AWARE, OUR PREDICTIONS
OF GRAIN YIELDS FOR THIS AREA DEVIATED LESS THAN FIVE
PERCENT IN THESE YEARS FROM THE FINAL OUTTURN. IN 1976,
FLETCHER POPE OF ESCS WAS SO DETAILED AND DID AN
EXCELLENT JOB.

2. IT WOULD BE OF SUBSTANTIAL BENEFIT IF HE COULD AGAIN
BE ASSIGNED TO THE EMBASSY FOR THIS PURPOSE. ALTHOUGH
NOT ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL, THIS WOULD BE OF REAL ASSISTANCE
TO THE AGATT OFFICE. THIS WOULD ALSO PROVIDE FIRST HAND
KNOWLEDGE IN WASHINGTON ON HIS RETURN OF THIS YEAR'S CROP
CONDITIONS AT/OR CLOSE TO HARVEST.

3. THE PERIOD FOR THIS TRAVEL IS CURRENTLY PLANNED FOR
APPROXIMATELY SUNDAY JUNE 18 THROUGH THE 27TH. FYI, PAN
AM FLIGHT ARRIVALS THIS SUMMER WILL BE THROUGH FRANKFURT
ON SATURDAYS AND TUESDAYS. TOON
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